

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the State of Indiana to appoint a third party entity to perform all economic analysis and risk assessments regarding proposed state environmental rules and regulations.

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_____ 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on



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Whereas, the state of Indiana has an obligation to all citizens of the state and to the business community to develop cost-effective and scientifically-justified environmental rules;

Whereas, to further these objectives, a third party entity could be very effective in performing economic analysis and risk assessment with respect to all new environmental rules, as well as managing such analysis and assessment efforts previously mandated to be performed by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management;

Whereas, this third party entity additionally could serve to reduce regulatory management requirements in reporting, record keeping, and issuance of permits, through reforms in existing programs and consideration of cutting-edge programs implemented in other progressive states;

Whereas, the focus of future state environmental rules should be based on sound science, cost-effectiveness, consistency with Federal regulations, and inclusion of



performance-based requirements, including sunset provisions; and

Whereas, the focus of regulatory reform should also extend to correcting the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's practice of adopting non-rule interpretations of ambiguous rules and changing long-standing interpretations of rules, and instead require formal rule revisions involving stakeholder participation: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly deems it
- 2 necessary and proper to consider the feasibility of appointing a third
- 3 party entity to perform all economic analysis and risk assessments
- 4 regarding state environmental rules, as well as to institute regulatory
- 5 reforms to reduce requirements for reporting, record keeping and
- 6 issuance of permits.
- 7 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a
- 8 copy of this resolution to the members of the Environmental Quality
- 9 Service Council and the members of the Legislative Council.

